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EXPEDITED PROCEDURE-REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 TECHNOLOGY CENTER 1600 PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Wezel et al.

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action of December 8, 2004, and supplemental to the amendment filed April 8, 2005, please amend the referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 5.